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**REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CLAIM FOR PRIORITY**

Under the provisions of Section 119 of 35 U.S.C., Applicants claim the benefit of the filing date of French Patent Application No. 99/08056, filed June 21, 1999, for parent Application No.: 09/598,637, filed June 21, 2000. In support of Applicants' claim for priority, on June 21, 2000, Applicants filed a certified copy of French Patent Application No. 99/08056. To date, however, the Office has not acknowledged the claim for priority and submission of priority document

Applicants hereby request that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office acknowledge receipt of the claim for priority and the certified copy of French Patent Application No. 99/08056.

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